

IN NEW HANDS.

As is formally announced by Messrs. Short & Shanklin in this issue, the proprietorship of THE REPUBLICAN changed May 1st.

THE REPUBLICAN, under its new management, has few promises to make. It prefers to be judged by results. Changes in the appearance of the paper, more than the slight ones indicated to-day, are contemplated, but they must be made gradually. To the new proprietor the field is comparatively an untried one. It must be studied. This is an occasion when it is safer to be charged with ignorance than with rashness. As regards its future course, however, THE REPUBLICAN can be depended on to champion whatever appears to be for the best interests of Fresno city and county and the entire San Joaquin valley, this being the territory that it seeks to represent. The paper is not hampered by a single personal, political or corporate obligation; nor will it be. A newspaper that claims to represent the people and cannot be conducted on business principles ought to die.

The new proprietor comes to Fresno with the strongest possible faith in its future. He has been in a position to learn the relative merits of different sections of the state and is unqualifiedly of the opinion that the middle region of the San Joaquin valley offers to-day more and better inducements to the small farmer and vineyardist than any other portion of California. Few people, even of Fresno, appreciate to a tenth part the present and future value of these surrounding acres.

In politics this paper will continue to be Republican, believing as it strongly does that the principles of the Republican party are the broadest, the safest, and the best adapted to solve satisfactorily the intricate questions that arise in state and national government from the advanced ideas of modern life. THE REPUBLICAN seeks to be dignified without being dull; to be vigorous without being personally offensive; to be conservative, and yet fearless to express an honest conviction; to criticize policies rather than men, and to be a newspaper that may be as safely read by the group around the family hearthstone as by the crowd on the street.

The pioneer to a new country undergoes privations and discouragements that those who read later in his steps can never realize. Messrs. Short & Shanklin, who retire from the ownership of THE REPUBLICAN to engage in other lines of business, have met and overcome many obstacles since they started THE DAILY REPUBLICAN two and one-half years ago, and they have the satisfaction of carrying with them the good will and wishes of thousands of readers. What THE REPUBLICAN has been is due solely to their efforts. What it will be must be chargeable to the new management.

T. C. JORDAN.

TERMS FROM LETCHER.

Social, Religious and Political Happenings in That Vicinity.

LEITCHER, APRIL 28.—Miss Ida Bacon of Academy is attending Professor Kearney's lecture in Fresno.

Miss Hattie Cole, who is attending the Selma school, was at home over Sunday.

"Bill" Stroud of Selma was at the Dry Creek Sunday school yesterday.

Douglas Academy has about concluded his term.

High Knoppe is negotiating the sale of his Fairview Creek copper mine for a sum of \$20,000.

J. W. Straley of Mohave, Mo., a brother-in-law of W. J. Logan, has been staying with the latter this winter. He is a great sufferer from rheumatism, and the severe weather of the past winter has not benefited him as he had hoped it would.

Supervisor Letcher left Sunday morning for Fresno, to help canvass the vote on an irrigation election. J. D. Clark accompanied him.

Nearly every schoolhouse in the hills has a Sunday school. Mrs. Perry is superintendent of the Academy Sunday school.

The social at Ardenway, April 25th, was a success, and \$43 was the amount realized by the ladies for church uses in the new church, to be dedicated next Sunday. Rev. Hunsaker will preach the dedicatory sermon, and the fine new organ will be used.

Justice Holmes left for Fresno yesterday afternoon.

Misses Annie Humphreys and Jennie Petrea, from Toll House, were in attendance upon the social at Ardenway. Miss Humphreys, by request of the committee, recited "The Fourth of July at Jamezville," one of "Joseph Allen's Wife's" best. Miss Humphreys was enthusiastically received.

TEN DOLLARS FINE.

The Sentence Imposed Upon William Henry.

A HORSE WITH A HARD MOUTH.

Robert Mack Arrested for Cruelty to Animals and Suit Instituted Against Him for Damages.

Robert Mack, an energetic colonizer, from Holland, regrets that a horse and buggy last Monday night at Henry's livery stable, for he now finds himself the defendant in a suit for \$150 damages to one of Mr. Henry's high steppers, and he has also been made the defendant on a criminal complaint charging him with cruelty to animals.

His right eye and cheek and the right side of his forehead are very much swollen and bruised, and his head presents the general appearance of having been passed through a quaternary mill.

Lawyer Van Meter appeared for the prosecution yesterday in Justice of the Peace Hogan's Court, and announced that William Henry, the defendant on the charge of battery, wished to plead guilty. He suggested that the Court hear some evidence on both sides in order to decide as to the amount of the fine.

MR. MACK'S STATEMENT.

Mr. Mack began calmly out of his left eye at the judge, his right eye being concealed by a bandage, and made the following statement under oath: "I saw a horse and buggy in the evening after dinner went to Henry's stables to engage a horse and buggy to visit the Holland Colony tract, about three and a half miles north of this city. He had horses and buggies and Mr. Henry before and had been charged only \$2.50 for a whole day's use. He was charged \$2.50 when he engaged the last rig, but as he had never paid more than \$1.50 for half a day's drive, he demurred to agree to pay so much, and finally the livery stable keeper cut the price down to \$2. At about ten minutes before 10 o'clock at night he started on the return trip to the stables. The horse seemed to be very anxious to get home, and pulled so hard at the bit that the witness could not stop him.

TEN DOLLARS WANTED.

William Henry was on guard when Mack returned, and when Mack offered him \$2 Henry said, "I want \$10; you take your \$2 and you can settle the bill with my father."

Mack demanded a written agreement to that effect.

"He put his hand on my coat and was close up to me," continued the witness. "I was getting afraid of him and I told him to take his hands off me. If I could have seen my chance to run out of the stable I would have done so. I could not get away and I told him to take the \$2, because I told him that I was in a hurry to get home. He said, 'You shall go home unless you take away your \$2.'"

"I said, 'If I take the money you will have to sue me for it.' Then he said, 'I'll give you a chance to sue me now,' and he knocked me down and struck me repeatedly. When the officer took him away I asked him to arrest my horse and he refused to do so. He took me to a drug store and got something for my eye to reduce the swelling and also a beefsteak. If it had been my own horse I would not have driven him more slowly."

ON SOCIAL STANDINGS.

"Didn't you touch me first?" asked Henry. "No," replied Mack; "I am too careful to lay hands on a man stronger than I am, or out of my social standing. You have strong hands to manage horses with, while I have to use my tongue and my brain to sell real estate."

Police Officer Walton testified that he and John J. White pulled Henry off the rein of the Holland horse, and that Henry accused Mack of owing a livery bill and refused to pay it, and after having overdriven his horse. The witness put his hand on the horse and found it suffering from the "thumps."

While the officer was thus engaged Henry and Mack got talking and Mack went towards the door to get his horse, but he was refused to let him go, and he said that he didn't pay his livery bill or don't want to pay my livery bill, you are a liar."

Henry thereupon struck Mack, and the witness ran to Henry by the arm and said, "You must not do that; you are under arrest. He took me to a drug store and got something for my eye to reduce the swelling and also a beefsteak. If it had been my own horse I would not have driven him more slowly."

"I then went back to the stable," continued the officer, "and told Henry to go to Henry's Court in the morning, and that he was under arrest. Henry said, 'Don't arrest the other man, and I will go up in the morning and pay my fine.'"

James Himes examined the horse and found that the animal had what is known as "the thumps."

The defendant said that he told Mack that he would not take less than \$10 if Mack wanted to settle with him, but that he advised Mack to take back his \$2 and settle the bill with the witness later.

"Then you will have to sue me," said Mack," continued Mr. Henry. "He then gave me a horse and I hit him. After I had him down he said, 'I'll give you \$5, I'll give you \$7, I'll give you \$10.' I said, 'All right, but I let him up but only a little way, and I gave it to him again. When he got up he said, 'I won't pay you a cent,' and he stuck his foot into mine. Then I struck him again."

Justice Charles of Modera was presiding in Justice Hogan's Court yesterday, and after the testimony was all in he remarked:

"Mr. Henry has pleaded guilty of battery, but I think there was some provocation in the manner in which this horse was brought back to the stable. I will fine the defendant an amount sufficient to pay the costs of this case, which amounts to \$10."

Mr. Henry paid the fine.

Democrats Caved Down the Bank.

Last night the candidates were to speak at Reedley and left Fresno on the branch road in high glee. All went well until Sanger was passed, when the engine flew the track and made a lee line for the foothills. No one suffered any bruises of the body, but a worse scared

lot of people you never saw. They all left the train and hired buggies and went back to Fresno, except the Hyde and Captain Appleby. These two gentlemen arrived in Reedley about 10 o'clock. As Mack would have it Dr. E. E. Brown, candidate for Governor from this place, went over to Reedley in a buggy. The doctor claims to be not much of a speaker, but his friends say he held that freely and spelled out for two hours, and the other fellows arrived. We congratulate the doctor on the reputation he is getting as a public speaker.

—Selma Irigator.

A Strike in Grab Gulch.

The mother lode in Grab Gulch, in this county, has been discovered. Grab Gulch is forty-five miles from this city and fourteen miles from Reedley. It is said that in the King's Gulch mine sulphur was found from \$300 to \$400 a ton have been discovered.

Peters will reopen his restaurant next Saturday.

J. G. James returned to his home in San Francisco yesterday.

W. T. Erson of Selma is in this city this week on business.

W. H. Thomas is spending the week in San Francisco.

Miss (Bertha) Hildreth of San Jose is a guest of Mrs. J. W. Ferguson.

J. R. Austin went to San Francisco yesterday on a short business trip.

Justice of the Peace Hogan will return from San Francisco to-morrow morning.

D. W. Parkhurst arrived in the city last evening from San Francisco.

Miss F. Schwalbe of Vallejo is a guest of Mrs. Herman Levy this week.

R. C. Gardner returned yesterday from a business trip to San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Strabo returned last evening from a visit in San Francisco.

Albert Riley, a prominent jeweler of Modesto, is spending a few days in Fresno.

The May-day picnic at Centerville will be attended by many persons from this city to-day.

Miss Lizzie Fain, who has been absent for some months in the East, arrived last evening.

Colonel Hogan has returned from San Francisco and Byron Springs with his health much improved.

Oregon Sanders, the Vidalia lawyer, was yesterday in this city on legal business.

There will be an old-fashioned spelling school entertainment next Tuesday night at the Congregational Church.

The Clinton Cooking Club gave a supper last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Conklin in Florence addition.

Miss Carrie Rouse of Stockton, Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, is a guest of Mrs. J. A. Feller.

Miss Carrie Dawson of Linden, San Joaquin county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jesse Thole, of this city.

J. G. Tuttle has sold his fruit and retail business on Mariposa street, between H and I streets, to C. T. Peterson.

Kutner, Goldstein & Co. advertise a special sale of business suits and gentlemen's vests to-morrow, commencing at 9 a. m.

T. A. Ripberger, formerly proprietor of the Yosemite Hotel at Modesto, and A. L. Sayre, also of that place, are in the city.

The annual contest of the local athletic championship will take place at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium to-morrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac G. Wickham of Modesto, who have been visiting their son, Frank P., and family, returned to their home yesterday.

Fredrick Lodge, No. 247, P. and A. M., will hold a stated meeting at Masonic Temple this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Master Masons in good standing are invited.

The burning out of a chimney in a house belonging to Mrs. McElroy on S street, between Mariposa and Tulare, brought out the Fire Department yesterday morning. No damage was done.

Misses Minnie Berry and Lettie Reynolds will return to San Francisco to-day, having passed a few weeks visiting the former's parents in this city. They will be accompanied by G. F. Berry.

Mrs. A. M. Darwin of Santa Rosa, an extensive landowner in Sonoma and Fresno counties, accompanied by Miss Georgia Patterson, arrived last evening on a visit to the latter's sister, Mrs. A. D. Ferguson.

Professor Hamilton Wallace of Tulare City, census enumerator for this district, has been called to the city to-day for taking the census, which will begin June 1st. He reports having made most of the appointments necessary for the work.

H. S. Caldwell of Fowler visited Fresno yesterday. Groups in his neighborhood are the healthily getting places to fit them as he and the shade trees are fully leaved out they will be scattered throughout the grounds. The band stand is nearly completed, and in a short time the people of Fresno will not only have the opportunity of passing their spare moments pleasantly under the dense and cool shade, but will have charming music to delight their ears from one to three times each week during the long, bright evenings.

Do You Need Spectacles?

I am pleased to announce that I have arranged with an expert optician from San Francisco, one of the best on the Pacific coast, who will be at my store for one week, commencing Monday, May 12th. All in need of perfect fitting glasses, and especially those who have the difficulty of getting glasses to fit them are invited to have their eyes tested. No charge for examination or testing the eyes.

H. C. WARREN, Golden Rule Bazaar, 1809 Mariposa street, Fresno, Cal.

The Election.

The election will be in November, and before and after that time anyone having exchange for groceries will do well to take them to S. H. Clark's grocery, 1844 Mariposa street. Having a fancy city trade enables him to always pay as much, sometimes more, for his goods as the others in Fresno. Don't fail to give him a trial.

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ASTORIA has a new grain warehouse, a paper mill and a new school house. They call it a boom.

THE SAN BERNARDINO Times-Index has been very ill since Governor Waterman ate his dish of crow. Politicians are men of sorrow.

The addition will all want to come into the city after the census is taken, but the city will probably refuse them admission then.

It is surprising to witness the unanimity with which business interests overwhelm political aspirations shortly after the state is fixed.

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THE RAISIN OUTLOOK.

The price of raisins during the coming season is a matter of much concern to the producer. Last season there was an unusual though fairly good market, and the producers succeeded in disposing of all their crop not damaged by the early rains at good prices. The packers were fortunate enough to work off all their stock without loss, but they also learned a lesson which will make them far more cautious in the future than they have been in the past. Last season there was a general but rather desultory bidding by packers for raisins in great box. Some first-class lots were sold by growers as low as 4 1/2 cents per pound, owing to the fact that the packers happened to be pretty well supplied when the stock was offered, and the growers lost their judgment and accepted just what was offered at the time. Those who had first grade raisins took pains to let the different packers know it, and by a little diplomacy succeeded in getting 6 cents per pound for their entire crop. In some instances packers went contrary to their better judgment in the effort to secure a lot which they considered above the average. All these circumstances will exert an influence on this season's business. The errors of last season will be, in a large measure, corrected. Packers have learned the limit of purchase price to which they may go in reasonable safety, and those who have been in the business for several years are not going to take the chances of going beyond that limit except in remote instances.

Raisins can be sold in the great box at 5 cents per pound with good profit to the producer. Packers can pay that price for them and are willing to do so, but low grade and very inferior fruit is not worth 5 cents, and packers are not going to pay that price for it this year. Growers who wish to be sure of good prices for their fruit will have to give their produce that attention which it deserves. All raisins should be graded into three grades in transferring from the drying trays to the export boxes. The largest and finest bunches should be selected and carefully placed in sweet boxes by themselves, the smaller bunches or clusters in other boxes, and the loose berries and partially filled bunches in still other boxes. By grading the fruit in this manner we believe that the first grade will readily command 5 1/2 to 6 cents per pound, the second class 5 cents, and the third grade 3 to 4 cents. Such grading must be honestly done, however, in order that the grower and packer may be equally protected. Our fruit will be placed upon the market in better shape if this grading begins in the vineyard, for the careful packer will grade the fruit as it is being prepared for market. Some of the raisins packed in this city last year were not what the labels indicated, and should a like course be pursued by the same parties this season another year will find them without buyers. First-class fruit will command first-class prices, and competition will be sharp between buyers for the first and second grades, while the inferior fruit can be sold at a price so low that packers will clean up the crop as they go along. The growers have an opportunity to establish good prices, with an excellent prospect of being able to maintain them for a number of years to come. They ought to improve this opportunity.

THE SIXTH DISTRICT.

There is some talk of running Nestor A. Young, of San Diego county, for the Republican nomination for Congress in the Sixth Congressional District (this fall), and if Mayor George H. Donahoe, of Los Angeles, does not run there is no man in the district who would stand a better show. However, the Fresno Press, who was mentioned in connection with the nomination some time ago, has positively refused to accept it, and Harvey Lindley, of Los Angeles, has so far failed to state publicly whether he is in the race or not—Santa Ana Free Press.

The northern end of the district is Mr. Markham to represent in Congress one term, and then General Vandever for two terms. The southern end of the district is now entitled to the Republican nomination in all fairness, and especially so when we consider that the northern counties of the present sixth district will, under the new apportionment, most likely constitute a part of the only hopelessly Democratic district in the whole state. Los Angeles, San Diego, Orange and San Bernardino counties will have the power in the convention to rob us of our rights, and we infer from the above extract that there is a disposition on the part of some of the Republican leaders of the southern end of the district to do so.

As now it seems that the location of the San Francisco postoffice is in the hands of the Southern Pacific Railroad (which has recently retired from politics), and that the office will be placed where it will do the most good—to the Southern Pacific Railroad. The Commissioners are, in a measure, helpless, for it is well understood that nothing can be done at Washington as regards California without first consulting the interests of the Southern Pacific. There is but one proper line of procedure, however, and that is for the Commissioners to consult the interests of the people, and then allow the proceedings to be quashed at Washington, following up the matter until the blame is placed where it belongs. It is a fact that a man can no longer put on a clean collar in California without permission from the Southern Pacific. Several newspaper proprietors were not of wear collars, but the initials "S. P. R. R." may be found upon the inside.

An effort is already being made by commission men and wholesale dealers in dried fruit to bear the market in regard to the coming crop of raisins. Papers in the pay of this class of speculators are persistently asserting that last year's crop only amounted to about 1,000,000 boxes, and was disposed of with difficulty. They still further predict that any increase in the crop will necessarily lower prices and cause stagnation in that branch of the dried fruit trade. Growers will do well to be on their guard. Five cents per pound in the sweet box is a fair price for raisins. The grower can afford to sell at that price, and the packer can also afford to pay it.

If the San Francisco daily papers would unite in advocating the building of the connecting link of railroad between their city and Mojave, while the pioneers are visiting about the bay, it is quite likely that the matter would be brought to the attention of the best capitalists, who own the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe system, in such a manner as to cause an extension of that road northward. San Francisco newspapers and newspapermen are ready for doing the right thing, however, at the wrong time, or the wrong thing at the right time, as the case may be.

PROTECTED TRADES.

The argument, backed up by fact, that protection advances and keeps up the wages of various classes of laborers in the United States, can only be met and successfully combated by free trade advocates with "surface indications." They invariably point to what they term "the unprotected business of the carpenter, the mason, the blacksmith and the machinist," and cite the fact that these callings command higher wages than are paid in some of the industries recognized by our tariff laws. This constant repetition of what everyone giving the subject proper thought must see has no parallel application, can do no harm, and the most illiterate and unscrupulous a sufficient reply is found in the fact that the classes of mechanics enumerated have the monopoly in their lines of work, as they did from foreign competition by conditions that render it impossible to import ready-made houses, to shoe horses or repair wagons and machinery in other countries, even if foreigners stood ready to do the work for nothing.

Bricklayers, carpenters, painters, blacksmiths, and similar occupations are protected by conditions that place foreign competition out of the question, and it is this fact, together with the further one that in the building trades the time for work is limited to the winter season of the year, that insures to such workmen better wages for the time that they are employed. True, the farmer could send his team to Canada to be shod and his machinery to Europe for repairs without violating any law of the land, but he finds it more economical to pay higher prices to his neighbors than mechanics at a distance might be willing to work for—and this affords for that class of workers the very best of protection. The men in these absolutely protected occupations should be the last to refuse to accord justice protection to those of their fellow-workmen whose callings are exposed to the competition of foreigners.

ANOTHER ENJOINEMENT.

We think a good deal of General Vandever, as a man. He is a hale and hearty old veteran who has served his country well and his district well, but he is not just the man the sixth congressional district of California wants in Congress. He bites off too much and his great projects are not popular. It would be grateful for him to decline a re-nomination on the ground of advancing age and seek in the quietude of his Ventura home such rest of body and tranquility of mind as an active life and honorable career have so fully earned. As a successor to William Vandever we can suggest no one who would so appropriately fill the place and serve the district so honorably as Dr. Chester Rowell, of Fresno. Dr. Rowell is a man of wide experience, a keen observer, level-headed and honest. A brother of his has borne a conspicuous and honorable part in Congress for many years, and our representative of the family would do as much for the sixth district of California as Jonathan Rowell has done for the fourteenth district of Illinois. More we could not ask. For Congress, Chester Rowell, of Fresno. That's our ticket.—Tulare Register.

The State Board of Trade has adopted a policy of stirring up laggard communities by getting up excursions to more wide-awake and prosperous sections. Arrangements ought to be made to get the silurian population of San Francisco to visit San Diego, Los Angeles and Fresno. The only way some of the mosquitoes can be coaxed out of their burrows between the sand-hills and the foot of Market street would be to buy each one a round trip ticket and present him with free meal tickets, free beds and checks for all the free drinks he could consume on the trip. Even that kind of a lay out would fail to induce some of the dollar limit financiers to come south and learn from personal observation what real enterprise means.

Some of the Democratic candidates are "basking on the ignorance of Republicans," as they express it. They are going about the county getting Republicans to pledge themselves to support this or that Democrat "because the Republicans have no show of electing county officers this time." The Republicans have been gaining steadily at each and every election held in Fresno county since 1874, and there is not a honest Democrat in the county now but who will admit that the Republicans have an equal show with the Democrats of carrying the county this fall. All the Republicans need is a confidence in their own strength which will insure a full vote for the nominees of their party.

SACRAMENTO papers are beginning to pull Railroad Commissioner Abbott down, so that he has served his purpose. Beer from the \$500,000 brewery and ice from the \$100,000 ice factory are to be served to guests during the convention only at regular rates. Special rates (\$5 to \$8 per day) are guaranteed by the hotel men, and the restaurant-keepers, liverymen and Jackmen have agreed to "stand in" and help pinch the delegates. Boss Rhodes and Boss Crimmins did well for Sacramento and the people of the capital city ought to be duly grateful. We are willing to wager \$5 to \$10 that Sacramento will not get the Democratic Convention.

GRAIN on the West Side has been very badly damaged by dry weather already, and unless rain falls in considerable quantity soon there will be little harvesting on the new land west of the San Joaquin. In the Huron neighborhood farmers are a little better off than those farther down the valley. East of the railroad prospects are now good for about the same yield of grain as was harvested last year.

SELMA Democrats are trying to induce John A. Strain to become the nominee of his party for Assemblyman. It is quite likely that he will consent to let his name be used. He only has to say the word in order to secure the nomination, since Mr. Tacker has withdrawn.

THE SIXTH DISTRICT.

Now that the matter of holding the next Republican State Convention has been decided, and Fresno has received her usual slice of party recognition—absolutely nothing—we feel at liberty to broach another subject. The sixth congressional district is the most radically Republican district in the state. The coming election will be the last held under existing district lines. Before another election rolls around the state will be re-divided, and San Diego, San Bernardino, Los Angeles and Ventura counties will, in all probability be set aside in a district by themselves. Kern, Tulare, Inyo, Alpine, Mono and Fresno will probably constitute with Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus and Santa Barbara, San Benito, Monterey and Padua, a very solid Democratic district. The southern end of the present district has had the Congressman for three terms in succession, Markham from 1885 to 1887, and Vandever from 1887 to 1891. In all instances, then, we contend that this end of the district is entitled to the Republican nomination for Congressman this year. Knowing our rights, we should not permit ourselves to be run down upon in the State Convention. Kern, Tulare, Santa Barbara, San Benito, Monterey, Alpine, Inyo, Mono and Fresno Republicans should at once confer among themselves and decide which of the eight counties is entitled to or can make the best man for the place. We believe that the nomination belongs in justice to one of the three interior counties of Kern, Tulare and Fresno, but if any one of the other counties of the northern end of the district can show better reasons for securing the nomination to a sister county Fresno will willingly give way. How do our neighbors feel about this matter?

ANOTHER excursion will arrive in Fresno next Saturday morning. It is being gotten up by the enterprising real estate firm of Easton & Eldridge, of San Francisco, and an auction sale of land in the splendid Mount Diablo Estate will occur under the management of that firm on Saturday, May 31. The name of Wendell Barton is inseparably linked with the early history of the Fresno colony system, and it shows an abiding faith on his part in irrigation and small farms when he continues to urge people to come here and settle. Hundreds of happy and contented families now in this city think Mr. Barton for their present condition, and these hundreds will a few years hence be swelled into thousands if that energetic gentleman continues in his present course. We have yet to learn of a single dissatisfied purchaser of land through the agency of Mr. Barton in this section.

FRESNO Republicans must have skilled politicians at the head of party affairs if they ever expect to secure recognition from party leaders elsewhere in the state. Politics have been reduced to a science in other counties, and the Democratic party of Fresno county is under the management of men who make politics a study. If the Republicans of this county expect to cope successfully with their political adversaries they must aim to electinate the kingpin of Fresno Democracy. The man who fingers the Republican rule of political chess board must play an aggressive game, and after a man has played a series of games and got "scumped" every time another player might be substituted without serious detriment to the party. This opinion is not based upon the ideas of the writer alone, but appears to be a sentiment prevailing quite generally among members of the party.

The Nevada City agent of a San Francisco paper (declines) that the population of his town has declined from a little over 4000 in 1890 to 3200. Great Valley was credited with 4830 inhabitants. We are of the opinion that the coming census will show this city to have made a gain of about 1000.—Grass Valley Tidings.

In 1890 Fresno had a population of 1100, and for five years thereafter made a moderate growth of 2900. In June 1887 the population had reached about 5200, and according to the vote in the fall of 1888 there were 7500 residing in this city. Since that time we are satisfied that there has been a further increase of about 2000, so that the census returns will show Fresno's population to be close upon 10,000. In 1870 there were less than 500 people here. In 1900 there will be upward of 20,000.

While attention is being so persistently attracted to the profits of orange culture and raisin-making, it might be well to remember that beans, peas, onions, apples, corn, poultry and potatoes are yet profitably shipped to California from the East, notwithstanding the exorbitant freight rates exacted by the railroad company. All these articles may be produced in the mountain district of Fresno, where there is still land to be had for the taking.

MANY of our citizens have been laboring under the impression that if the additions are not admitted the city will be able to get along for another year without another school building. With the additions within the corporate limits two new buildings will have to be provided, but leaving them out only reduces the necessity to one additional school house. This the city will have to provide before the commencement of another term of school.

RABBITS are doing considerable damage to newly-planted orchards and vineyards in Tulare county. The greatest drawback to fruit-growing in new locations is the large area of uncultivated country surrounding where rabbits are bred and multiply by thousands. They are best gotten rid of by drives, and when once thinned out in that manner a few good greyhounds will suffice to keep a neighborhood freed of them.

It is not the Young Men's Christian Association that has entered into politics, but the American Sabbath Union. The members pledge themselves to vote for the representative who will pledge himself to work for the passing of a Sunday law, without regard to politics. Church and state should forever be kept separate.

The city of Stockton has arrived at the point where the sewage question has become of paramount importance. The usual arguments pro and con are being advanced, and a needed improvement is being delayed by reason of the lack of

unanimity. Dr. Hubson is advocating the use of open sewers. This is a matter of surprise. The experience of Fresno ought to be sufficient. The question is one that must eventually be dealt with, and nothing but an extensive and first-class sewer system will ever suffice. Fresno business property is worth 90 per cent more to-day than it was before the sewer system was adopted.

IMPORTING PESTS.

The greatest evil that California fruit-growers have to contend with is the continued importation of trees, vines and shrubbery from other states or countries. Almost every such importation brings a new enemy of fruit pests. During the past few years much annoyance has been caused by the thoughtless purchase of trees shipped here from Florida, and no end of trouble is in store for the orchardists before they can free their trees and fruits of the vermin. Nearly all the damage to California fruit has been brought in this way. In referring to this matter the Napa Register puts in a good word as follows: A quarantine has been declared against Florida imported stocks by the orange-growers of Pomona, Los Angeles county. And good reason for it. The other day three carloads of trees infested with Florida red scale, purple scale, long scale and chaff scale, arrived at that place, consigned to orchardists there. Prompt action was taken toward disinfecting the importation and all the leaves and rubbish in the cars were ordered burned. Upon investigation it was found that trees brought from Florida to Pomona and planted a year ago were also infested with the purple scale. There is a lesson learned. If growers persist in importing stocks from Florida they must also import parasites from Florida to eat up the pests with which such stocks are infested or reap ruin in place of a golden harvest. In every bunch of trees or cuttings that comes from abroad—in every fruit box once used and returned to the shipper—there is likely to lurk a fly, and the orchardist who does not keep his eyes open may unconsciously work his own and his neighbors' undoing.

FOR CONGRESSMEN.

The Visalia Delta is out in favor of one of Fresno's most prominent Republicans for Congressman as follows: "Hon. Chester Rowell of Fresno is named for representative in Congress from the sixth district. Dr. Rowell is our favorite among all who have been mentioned for the place. Among our public men he is one of the oldest residents of this district, and has always been a consistent and firm Republican. He was elected Senator from this district when it was overwhelmingly Democratic and served the people faithfully and well. He enjoys the confidence of all, irrespective of party preferences, understanding the wants of this district thoroughly, is a discreet legislator and an indefatigable worker, and in necessary qualifications for Congressman from this district need yield the first place to no man. When Tulare county had a candidate for the same place Dr. Rowell was ready to lend him aid, as he has always done in every campaign, and as the northern part of the district is now entitled to the representative in the National Legislature, and a more suitable and meritorious candidate is not to be found in any part of it, we are for the Hon. Chester Rowell of Fresno."

The demand for better railway facilities is growing, and a local train from Summer or Tulare to Oakland would be a great accommodation to the people of the entire San Joaquin valley. Such a train ought to have Summer at 4 o'clock a. m. The return train should leave Oakland pier about 9 or 10 o'clock at night, arriving at the southern end of the run about 6 or 7 o'clock in the morning. The hours of the overland trains could be adjusted so as to make it possible for people living in this end of the state to receive mail or express matter in the morning or evening and have about an hour's time to answer by next train. In ordering goods from San Francisco a delay of twenty-four hours would be avoided by a readjustment of the train service, and twenty-four hours is a matter of considerable importance sometimes.

The Fresno Street Improvement Association can probably save time and trouble by presenting its published memorial to the City Council to the Attorney-General of the state of California, and accompany the presentation by a request that he take immediate action, in the name of the people, to have Fresno street restored to its original condition. The Attorney-General can probably bring an influence to bear in the case that will be of great assistance to the citizens in their fight for justice.

The petitions of property-owners, as published in the Republican yesterday shows conclusively that the canal question can no longer be settled by specious argument or dismissed with a monopolistic wave of the hand. The people are in earnest, and the arguments advanced show that the case admits of no technical loopholes whereby the will of the people may be defeated. The odoriferous canal must go. Such a death-trap can no longer be allowed to exist upon one of the principal streets of one of the greatest inland cities of California.

It is announced by telegraph that a Georgia man has invented a process and machinery for working stalks of the cotton plant up into bagging cloth. The inventor exhibits a roll of burlap made from cotton stalks by his process as an evidence of its success. It is to be sincerely hoped that the question has been mastered and that the new process will be all that is claimed for it, and that it will put an end to the importation of jute and manilla bagging. California farmers will watch the practical test of the new process with interest.

Monterey will put a baseball nine in the field to take the place made vacant by the withdrawal of the Bakersfield club. Central California has a league of its own now and at the end of the season the winning club of this league will play a series of games with the Northern and Southern pennant-winning clubs, for the championship of the state. Fresno boys ought to win the Central League pennant and thus insure some of the championship games being played here in the fall.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Little town of Porterville is ambitious, to say the least. Society is not blessed with a select "40," but this is owing to a lack of population we should judge. They have a society known as "the 300" instead.

Wm. Markham as the Republican candidate for Governor and John F. Swift as a candidate to succeed Stanford the Republicans ought to carry California by 20,000 majority. Even Fresno county can be relied upon to elect a Republican Assemblyman on that platform.

The telegraph reports that a religious body voted on the question of infant damnation and decided them damned by a majority of one vote. Can't a precinct be thrown out?—Alta.

Wonder if the Examiner will claim this as another evidence of its predicted Democratic tidal wave?

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company seems determined not to allow California to be settled any faster than the company can provide transportation facilities. A rate of \$10 across the continent would prove beneficial to the state, and Stanford has said that such a rate would be profitable.

"Vay, vido, vido" was the message sent from San Francisco yesterday by one of our Republican warriors now campaigning on the shores of the bay, to a Los Angeles correspondent. He was a little wild on his Latin, but got there all the same.—Los Angeles Times.

Translated into English this Los Angeles probably means "Made it all right by voting for Sacramento."

Immigration, industry and economy are the real source of Fresno's great wealth and prosperity. These are backed up by a rich alluvial soil, a mild, salubrious climate and a people second in enterprise to those of no other city in the state. The result of these combined influences is what wins the praise of every visitor.

The conscientious Christian officers of Los Angeles have arrested the Salvation Army officers for "marching, and playing musical instruments upon the streets." Real estate agents, however, are permitted to parade the streets with brass bands unimpeded. There seems to be a cord of wood in the Los Angeles official eye.

Mayor Greener, Geo. A. Knight, Samuel M. Shortridge and other prominent Republicans who were quietly abiding their time, will have to wait along time before they can square accounts with Governor Waterman. The Governor was too late to ever permit his name to be presented to the Republican State Convention.

SACRAMENTO has been named as the place for the holding of the approaching Republican State Convention. This, no doubt, removes that city from the list as a competitor for the Democratic Convention, and presents to our Democratic friends an enlarged opportunity for securing the holding of their convention in Fresno. We hope the matter will receive early and earnest consideration.

FRESNO will this summer have clean streets well sprinkled. Many of them are paved, and many more are graded. The sewer system will be in working order, and the fire alarm system as well. Add to this two new swimming-bath houses and a local ice manufacturing company, and it will be seen that many improvements have been made in the short space of one year.

The Southern Pacific Company has just issued a new map of its own lines and friendly connections. One of the most striking features is the entire absence of all reference to either the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, the Atlantic & Pacific and the Union Pacific & Northwestern roads. This would not indicate a very friendly feeling toward those roads by the grinding monopoly which holds California in its clutches.

Three battle ships of not less than 7500 tons displacement nor more than 10,000 tons will be ordered built at once for the navy. A bill has passed the House providing for their construction and the Senate will no doubt concur in it. One of these monsters will be built on the Pacific Coast and two on the Atlantic. The same bill also provides for five first-class torpedo boats and two steel gunboats. The new navy is progressing.

A few years ago, when the city of Stockton had a population of 10,000, Fresno had 1600. If a sufficient number of the "additions" to Fresno were included in the city limits to bring the area up to that included within the city limits of Stockton, the population of Fresno would to-day exceed that of Stockton. The reason for this is written all over the broad land of ours, and may be known and read by all men.

The Woodland people all go home with widely different and better opinions than those entertained of Fresno upon their arrival. Their visit will leave a feeling of friendliness in their minds toward this section not heretofore entertained, and this feeling will also serve to encourage those who came to visit their neighbors to visit Fresno also. Woodland can be to the Sacramento valley what Fresno is to the San Joaquin valley—the hub of population, enterprise and prosperity.

FRESNO street has an improvement association composed of a majority of those owning property on that thoroughfare. An effort will soon be made to have the street paved from the railroad reservation to the alley at the foot of the grade between M and N streets. It is such improvements as this that has placed Fresno at the head of the procession as the most progressive inland city in the state. Our people are determined not to take second place in the matter of improvements.

FRESNO must have another railroad outlet to tide-water. San Francisco Bay is the natural outlet for the commerce of this great valley, but if the capitalists about the bay will not lend a helping hand, we urge Fresno people to unite with those of some enterprising point on the coast, Port Harford or Monterey for instance, and build a line to one of those points. The landed interests along the line of such a road can be made to pay the cost of building the road by a company organized by men of the Fresno stamp.

A SUMMER of people from Contra Costa county purchased several sections of land on the West Side a few years ago in the vicinity of White's Bridge. Since the Sunset Irrigation district has been formed the land increased in value, and will command probably \$50 per acre within two years. These purchases

now find that there are a number of certificates of purchase in existence, which have lain dormant for fifteen years. Such certificates were supposed to have been legally annulled years ago, but now seem likely to cloud the title, and may be the means of securing patents to their holders. Several parties are in the city this week for the purpose of searching the county records in regard to the matter.

OFFER INDUCEMENTS.

The San Francisco Report is making a most commendable effort to get the business men of that city awakened to the necessity of another transcontinental railroad. If the Chronicle, Examiner and Post will unite with the Report in agitating this matter, within thirty days an interest will be created in business circles so strong that the Southern Pacific Company with its established press cannot prevent it taking tangible shape, and the extending of such inducements to other roads that they will build into San Francisco forthwith. The property-owners of that city can afford to pledge \$1,000,000 in cash to the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Company if they will build a connecting line between Mojave and San Francisco, and as much more to the Union Pacific to build from some point in Southern Idaho through the northern part of this state to the bay, and a third offer of \$1,000,000 to get the Rock Island to build a branch from the crossing of Green River, Utah (on its newly acquired line from Denver to Salt Lake), southwesterly through Kern or Kings river canyon and down this valley to the metropolis. Some of the day's papers published in San Francisco and Oakland profess to believe that other roads cannot be induced to build until they get ready of their own accord. Perhaps this is true. But why not encourage them to get ready? A bonus of \$1,000,000 will, in our opinion make either one of the three roads above mentioned "ready" and anxious to build into "Frisco."

The mountains of Fresno county offer more pleasant scenes to campers out than the seaboard. There are hundreds of little meadows in which green grass is found during the summer months, and where sparkling little brooks, springs of hot and cold water and good dry wood and other conveniences are abundant. Along the larger streams, benches or stretches of comparatively level bottom land are occasionally found, each of which is some of the most rugged and picturesque mountain peaks in the world. Trout fishing is excellent in some of these streams, and an effort ought to be made to plant fish in all the streams where it is possible for them to live and which do not now contain them. We believe that a good business awaits the man who will establish a system of pack trains to supply established camps with provisions during the summer months, so as to insure campers with supplies at reasonable prices beyond the present limits of civilization.

The Fresno Republican desires to have the delegates from the north end of the sixth district unite on a man from the San Joaquin valley and nominate him. Of course that end of the district is not strong to do this without the help of this end. Los Angeles county will elect votes. San Diego with 24 and San Bernardino with 16 would occupy a large amount of space in a convention of 188 delegates, to say nothing of 15 more delegates from Orange and Ventura. There must be unity of action in this matter. This district ought to have two members and the territory now in this district will have two members after the next apportionment. In the meantime we must select a man large enough and broad-minded enough to represent two districts.—San Bernardino Times-Index.

The southern end of the district has had the representative for three successive terms, and do you not think it justice now to the northern tier of counties that they should name the representative for one term?

Never have the prospects for Fresno county's future prosperity shown as brilliantly as now. Not less than 8000 acres have been planted in raisin vines and fruit trees this season, and the stream of healthy immigration, though small, is continuous, and beginning to show signs of increasing. The prospects for the city are no less flattering. The beautiful and costly brick and stone business blocks erected during the past year have evoked the unstinted admiration of all visitors, and the work of building is still going on, eight new brick structures being already in contemplation of erection.

An exploring party is being organized by the San Joaquin Valley Polytechnic Institute,

